

AROUND THE CITY

"If somebody were to give you a million this afternoon would you show up in the morning?"

We don't need Burton—"Anatomy of Melancholy" man to tell us that nothing is more refreshing than a choice bit of idleness after a day's work which demands that the cafe calls a double portion of brains. Hence the question. To quote another authority—by name of Venus—the answers were "warious."

One big lad who had shed his responsibilities and taken up with Mutt and Jeff admitted that a sudden million might possibly induce him to phone the chief for a day off.

Another, hobnobbing with a fellow-suburbanite over the feminine inconsistencies of hens, thought it probable that the novelty of owning a million or two might tempt him to sleep a

trifle late next morning, while—just to show what contrast can do—a great big chap with a dimple in his chin, who was making for home and a just-comme baby—also with a dimple in his chin—sang out in passing that the minute he got a million he would be at the office extra early next morning so the boys could hear him crow.

There was the usual exception, of course. There was a way, has to be, otherwise what would become of that general rule the nice dame made for us. You have to keep important things like that in mind.

All day Exception had snipped flimsies with the relentlessness of that other fate which does business with shears. And now he was glimpsing a first issue, hot-cooked from the press—which, incidentally, the other was doing, too, because, confidentially: If your own stuff is in all right the rest of the paper can get along somehow.

And as he read, it needed no seventh daughter of a seventh daughter to explain the lines in his face, and the good things, mentally and humanely, they stood for.

For that matter, even the one insignificant sidecomb in the crowd who took no interest in possible millions, seeing she already owned a victrola, and who didn't even know Exception's every-day name, had predicted without cards or crystal ball that the big half of any fortune that should ever come his way would go for the honest helping of that being we know as brother man—and besides—

To come right down to facts—brass preferred—he had already gone on record. If somebody should give Exception a million dollars he is going to buy a yacht and have bean soup for dinner every day.

It is always desirable to be prepared for the best.

A cavalier strayed out of a colonial nook and wandered into Washington until he grew old and lonely, a poet that the only thing he owned was that poor honest asset that a gentleman calls his honor.

His gray hair still retained its romantic wave and every line of his shabby face seemed to demand double, lute and white palfrey.

Only his eyes belonged to the world he walked in. They were just ordinary

pleasant eyes that accepted philosophically the fact that he was old, perhaps friendless, and that he was alone.

And his eyes looked downward as he strolled along the quiet street, his lips moving with his thoughts as he lived with people who live alone. As he reached a crossing a tiny thing in the gutter caught his interest and he picked it up.

The cavalier spirit that was not quite lost forever made him place the tiny thing against his lips before he placed it in his pocket, but while he did it the eyes smiled whimsically, as if they were making fun. And the thing he picked up was a hairpin.

A common wire, wide-apprawl hairpin that no wise woman would wear.

Here is how one oldish man around town acquainted to another oldish man around town, who caught him saying his prayers.

"I don't. I don't belong to nothing. I was just saying a mouthful of prayers for Johnson. Me and him used to work together in a mine in Pennsylvania when I was a youngster, and one day

WASHINGTON, THE PLANTER

It is well known that during the whole of the revolution Washington's thoughts and visions of rest and happiness were in his country home at Mount Vernon. Upon his retirement in 1797 from the presidency, his chief interest was his home and its domestic life of ease and dignified luxury. But to one of his character rest could not be found in idleness; and his systematic method of mental activity at once directed itself to the practice of the most advanced way of farming known to his day, the fundamental principle then, as now, being one of economics—how to obtain under existing conditions the best results with the least cost and waste.

In a letter to Sir John Sinclair of England, written in July, 1798, he tells how the early wheat in his section was found.

"A farmer, walking in a field of wheat, which was sown in the autumn of a plant or two that was perfectly ripe, and, carefully separating it from the rest, sowed it at the usual time in the following autumn. From this small beginning (about seven years ago) this state and those adjoining are well in seed. The grain is white and full and heavy, weighing generally two or three pounds more in the bush than the grain of the country."

"From my own experience I can add but little, for, as my land is heavy, stiff and slow, not much of it has been sown, but from the growth of the present year I send you a sack, that by experiment you may ascertain the utility of cultivating 'in England.'"

To insure the safety of this sack of wheat he requested the shipmaster to keep it in his own cabin during the voyage.

He adds in his letter: "The Egyptian wheat, a head or two of which you had the goodness to send me (about two years ago) has not answered with me."

In July, 1799, Washington wrote to Dr. James Anderson, who was engaged in a study of the history of agriculture and natural history, as follows:

"I little imagined when I took my last leave of the walks of public life that any event could bring me again on a public theater. He continues with a statement of the conduct of France, and in the shades of which I had fondly hoped to spend the remnant of a life worn down with care in contemplation of the past and in scenes present and to come of rural enjoyment."

"The gardener whom you were so obliging as to send me continues to do himself extremely well. He is industrious, sober and orderly and understands his business. What adds to my satisfaction is that he is himself contented."

Under date of September 14, 1798, Washington wrote an interesting letter to Alexander Spotswood in regard to the hiring of overseers for his several farms:

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Only 5½ More Days to Save ¼ in Hechts'

25% OFF FEBRUARY FURNITURE SALE

And still it is the one great Furniture Sale to which people come from far and near, because it is known, near and far, to be the greater sale in these respects:

- 1—In the superiority of the goods, especially on the inside. This is not a matter of speculation, but of fact, proven by comparison of the inside qualities of our merchandise with those of other goods.
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Good stout frame, finished in black. Rubber tires. Light weight, comfortable and can be easily carried anywhere. Stationary back. At the price at which we will sell this cart Monday we cannot fill mail, phone or C. O. D. orders.

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25c a Week

Massive Enamel Bed \$3.95

Not the usual "Special Sale" Bed, but a large, good-looking CONTINUOUS Post Bed of guaranteed quality.

"Ranney" Refrigerator \$15.65

Three doors; white enamel lined; separate compartments for eggs and butter; sanitary heavy wire shelves; bright nickel hardware. 90 lbs. ice capacity.

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A magnificent piece of polished oak. Designed on superb colonial lines; large French plate mirror.

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All perfect goods, in desirable lengths. Tile, parquet and conventional designs.

When the Laws Met

The Laws met at the long green table. All the fundamentals were there save one. Even the decrepit Sallu Law was present, dozing between the Mosaic Laws and the Law of Primogeniture.

Discount Sale of Rugs

\$27.50 Axminster Rugs, \$18.65

9 by 12 feet, room size. New 1915 patterns and colors. Rich oriental and floral effects.

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Size 9 by 12 feet; nine-wire all-wool face woven deftly into a host of patterns and colors.

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Selected for their deep worsted velvet and close-woven nap. You will find a big selection of patterns in colors to suit any room in the house.

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4. Frosted Glass Door.
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6. Nickeloid Top.
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9. Copper Trimmings.
10. Large Cupboard.
11. Large Crock Pot.
12. Large Pans.

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